

Copy of Owners Cablegram to Valparaiso & Valparaiso on
Sailing that vessel "Latona" could not proceed to sea
for want of Certificate of Seaworthiness

Liverpool 6 August 1884

What does Surveyor recommend - Can you do what is
necessary - A Certificate of Seaworthiness is absolutely necessary.
We must not proceed without certificate of Seaworthiness

In reply to the above Mr McConway, Overlooker for Underwriters
and Owners, replies by letter as follows

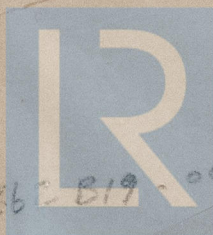
Valparaiso 7th August 1884

It is useless to reply to your message, as it has no bearing
on the case now, but I will answer it as follows.

1st The Surveyor (Captain Russell) recommends the cargo to be
again discharged, and the vessel filled with water to find
out the leak, which I say, and so does every one else with
any common sense, is utterly preposterous

2nd We cannot do what is necessary, as you see from above -

3rd We have two Certificates of much more practical experience
more than Captain Russell, that the ship is seaworthy & in every
respect fit to carry her cargo to any part of the world, and
I see no reason, nor does any one else here but Capt Russell
see any reason why she should not proceed.



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